



SystemC Community Update

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Outline

- Update on the OSCI organization, events and activities
- Technical Working Group updates
 - Synthesis Working Group (SWG)
 - Language Working Group (LWG)
 - Transaction-Level Modeling (TLM-WG)
 - Analog/Mixed-Signal (AMS-WG)
 - Configuration, Control and Inspection (CCI-WG)
- IEEE P1666 Update
- Media Site: technical tutorials and user videos available media.systemc.org



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OSCI Membership

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Broad-based User Community

- SystemC User groups are worldwide and active
 - European SystemC User Group
 - Annual SystemC Users meeting in Japan
 - North America SystemC User Group
 - Latin America SystemC User Group in Brazil
 - India SystemC User Group
 - Taiwan SystemC User Group

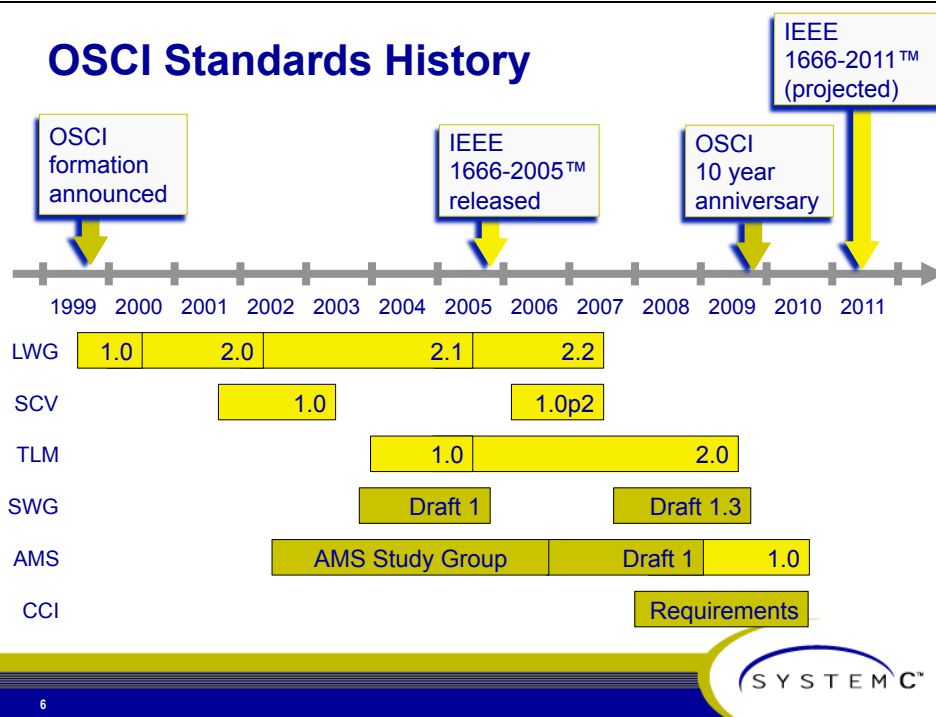
Find out more:

http://www.systemc.org/community/user_groups/

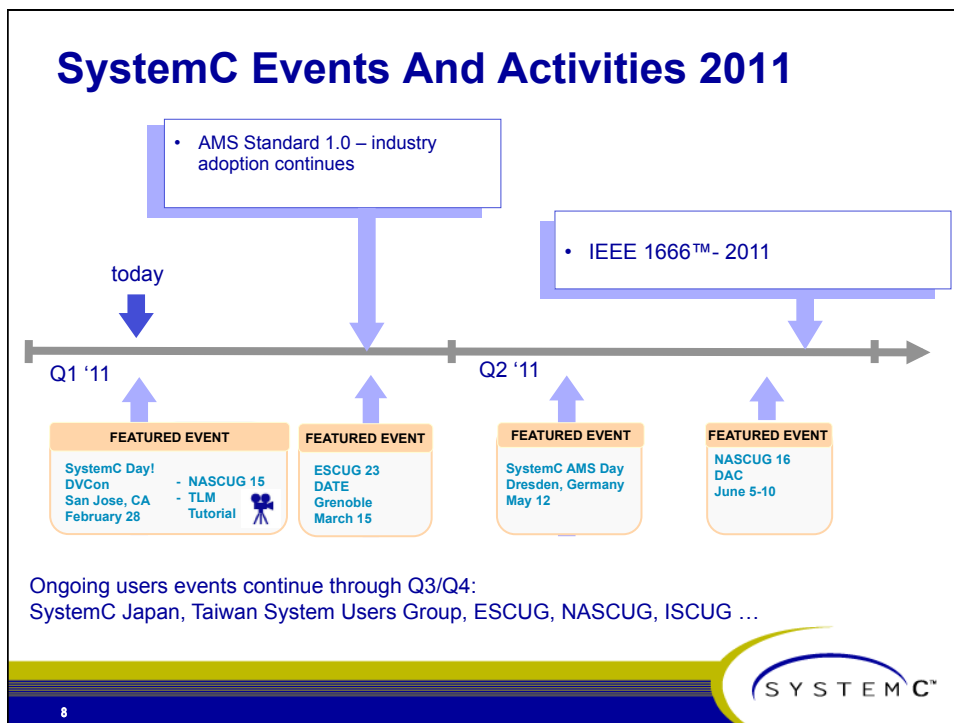
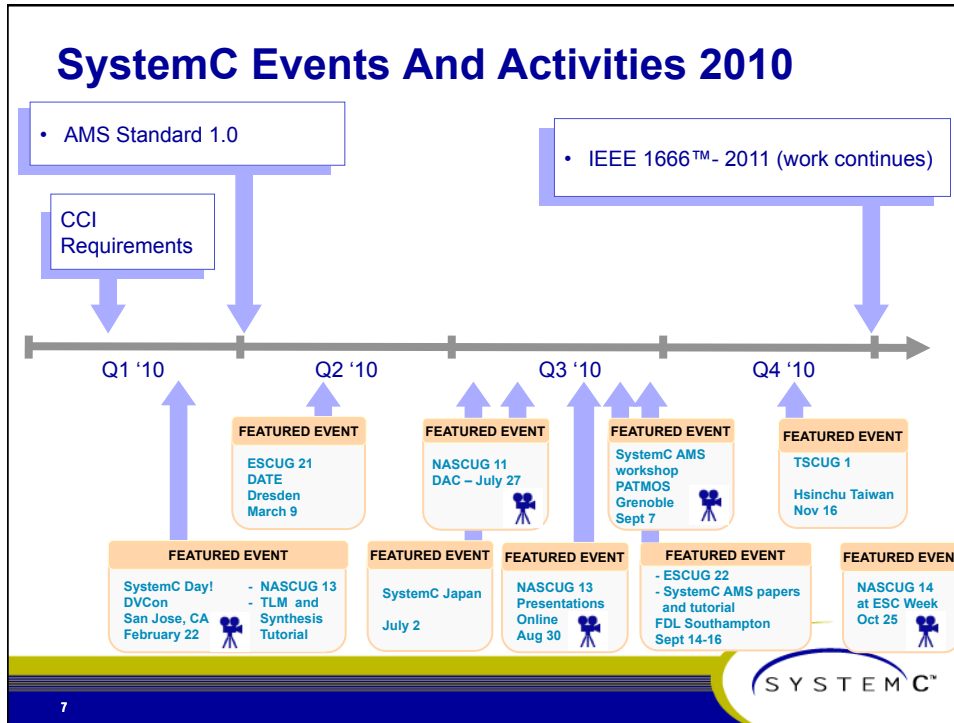


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OSCI Standards History



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Synthesis WG Update

- **Public review of draft 1.3 completed March 2010**
Updates include:
 - Supported language constructs established
 - Added section on processes, clocks, resets
 - Added discussion on abstraction levels to introduction
 - Simplified and clarified
- **Currently updating in anticipation of IEEE 1666-2011**
- **OSCI TLM-2.0 Standard and Synthesis Subset Video Tutorial: <http://media.systemc.org/>**

Chair: Andres Takach, Mentor
Vice-Chair: Mike Meredith, Forte



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Language WG Update

- **Interest in IEEE 1666 Standard continues strong**
 - 27,793 total downloads of IEEE 1666-2005 LRM
 - 4217 downloads Jan 1, 2009 to May 31, 2009
- **Current LWG activity**
 - Working on changes to proof-of-concept implementation in anticipation of IEEE 1666-2011

Chair: David Black, XtremeEDA



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Transaction-Level Modeling WG Update

- TLM-2.0 will be incorporated in the new IEEE P1666 SystemC standard
- Encompasses:
 - ♦ Approximately Timed (AT) & Loosely Timed (LT) modeling
 - ♦ Temporal Decoupling
 - ♦ Direct Memory Interface
 - ♦ Debug Transactions
 - ♦ Extensible Base Protocol for modeling memory mapped buses
- Adoption of TLM-2.0 by Accellera for new UVM 1.0 Standard
- 📺 Many video resources available: TLM-2.0 in Action and more

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Vice-Chair: James Aldis, Texas Instruments

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Analog/Mixed-Signal WG Update

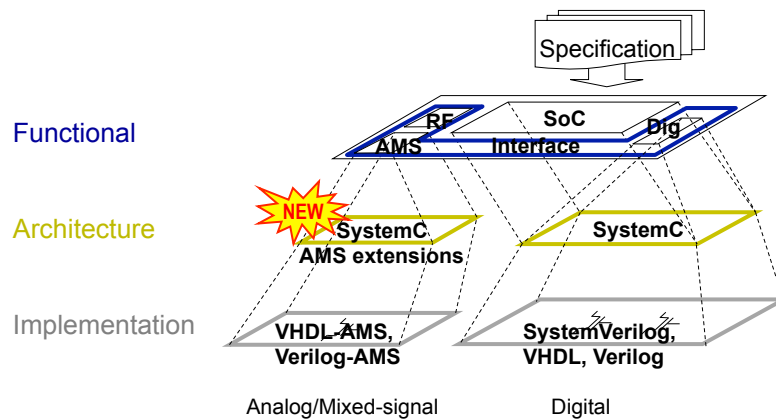
- Public review of the AMS Draft 1 kit completed in March 2009
The kit includes:
 - Draft LRM and requirements specification
 - Whitepaper “An Introduction to Modeling Embedded Analog/Mixed-Signal Systems using SystemC AMS extensions”
- SystemC AMS 1.0 Standard released in March 2010
 - Updated LRM and requirements specification; User's Guide including guidelines for AMS model creation and modeling strategy
- SystemC AMS Day – Grenoble, May 12, 2011
 - Industry-driven: organized by NXP, ST, Infineon and Fraunhofer and supported by OSCI
 - Highlights the application of the SystemC AMS 1.0 compatible proof-of-concept implementation for various applications.

Chair: Martin Barnasconi, NXP Semiconductors
Vice-Chair: Christoph Grimm, Vienna University of Technology

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SystemC-AMS Will Supply The Missing Abstraction



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Configuration, Control, & Inspection WG Update

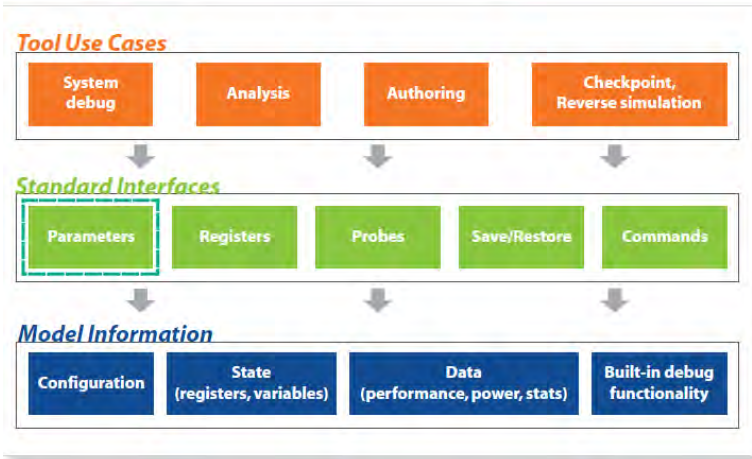
- The WG's scope is being addressed in an incremental fashion, beginning with Configuration
- Public review of the Configuration requirements specification was completed in April, 2010
- A preliminary definition of the standard has been completed in accordance with the requirements specification and feedback from its public review
- The following collateral is being prepared to validate the preliminary standard and facilitate public review of a draft standard:
 - LRM; detailed documentation
 - Examples to illustrate key concepts and capabilities

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Configuration, Control & Inspection WG

Standardizing interfaces between models and tools



Chair: Trevor Wieman, Intel
 Vice-Chair: Bart Vanthournout, Synopsys



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IEEE P1666 Goals And Charter

- Charter is to update the 1666-2005 SystemC Standard
 - Errata to 1666-2005
 - Clarifications to 1666-2005 standard
 - Better formalization of TLM 1.0 Message Passing Interface
 - Add OSCI TLM-2.0 LRM
 - Selected new features
- Goal is to
 - Create/ballot draft P1666-2011 standard in during 2010
 - Send the approved standard to RevCom in early 2011
- Chair: Stan Krolikoski (stanleyk@cadence.com)



IEEE P1666 Draft Standard Available
www.eda.org/systemc



P1666 SystemC WG
 In Coordination With OSCI

Welcome to the IEEE P1666 website

P1666 Charter

The general charter of this project is to provide a C++-based standard for designers and architects who need to address complex systems that are a hybrid between hardware and software.

The specific charter of this standard is to provide a precise and complete definition of the SystemC class library including a Transaction Level Modeling library so that a SystemC implementation can be developed with reference to this standard alone. This standard is not intended to serve as a users guide or to provide an introduction to SystemC, but does contain useful information for end users.

P1666 Member Entities

- Accellera
- Cadence
- Freescale
- Intel
- JEITA
- Mentor
- NXP
- OSCI
- ST Micro
- STARC
- Synopsys
- Texas Instruments



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OSCI Media: Technical Tutorials



OSCI TLM-2.0 Standard and Synthesizable Subset

John Aynsley, Doulos; Michael McNamara, Cadence; Michael Meredith, Forte



TLM-2.0 in Action: An Example-based Approach to TLM and the New World of Model Interoperability

John Aynsley, Doulos; David Black, XtremeEDA
 Zhu Zhou, Intel; Frank Schirmeister, Synopsys



Using TLM Extensions for Bus Locking and Snooping

John Aynsley, Doulos

Available at: <http://media.systemc.org>



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OSCI Media: NASCUG Presentations



NASCUG 13

Umesh Sisodia, CircuitSutra; Jiong Ou, TU Wien; Bill Bunton, LSI; John Aynsley, Doulos; Tim Kogel, Synopsys



SystemC Day 2010 / NASCUG 12

Keynote by Gary Smith, Gary Smith EDA; Jack Donovan, HighIP Design; Hervé Alexanian, Sonics; Samuel Goto, UNICAMP; David Black, XtremeEDA; Brian Bailey, consultant



NASCUG 11

Luca Ferro, TIMA Laboratory; Karsten Einwich, Fraunhofer IIS/EAS; David Black, XtremeEDA; William Gnadt, Lockheed Martin

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OSCI Media: Coming Soon

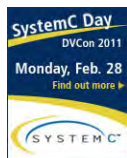


Jim Hogan

SystemC Day 2011

Keynote: "Navigating the SoC Era"

Jim Hogan, Private Investor, Vista Ventures, LLC



NASCUG 15 User Presentations

- Low-cost SystemC Acceleration on Multi-core GNU/Linux Platforms
- TLM Methodology to Enable Architecture Exploration via Co-simulation of SystemC Models with Legacy C/C++ Models
- The New IEEE 1666 SystemC Standard
- A Common System Memory Model for SoC Software and Architecture Models using a SystemC/TLM-2.0 Interface



Tutorial: "Software-Driven Verification Using TLM-2.0 Virtual Platforms"

John Aynsley, Doulos; Bill Bunton, LSI Corp; Volkan Esen, Infineon Technologies; Trevor Wieman, Intel Corp; David Black, XtremeEDA Corp.

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Summary

- OSCI continues to advance the ESL community with SystemC standards
- Next generation SystemC Standard: draft P1666 LRM was approved by the working group; balloting group being formed
- TLM-2.0 is everywhere!
 - Now being incorporated as significant part of IEEE 1666 standard
 - Adoption of TLM-2.0 for new UVM 1.0 Standard
- SystemC AMS 1.0 released in March 2010
- Configuration, Control & Inspection WG is preparing collateral to enable a draft Configuration standard public review
- Technical user presentations and videos available <http://media.systemc.org>



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